(b) the names and addresses of such sub-units as are being run with N.C.C. officers;

(c) whether there is a proposal under consideration of Government to withdraw/disband such sub-units where N.C.C. officer is not available; and

(d) if so what are the details of such subunits?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) There are 9992 Troops /Companies under 756 NCC Units in the country.

(b) The information will be collected and placed on the Table of the House.

(c) and (d) No Sir. The withdrawal/disbanding of sub-units i.e. Troops and Companies is governed by the following criterion:

If an educational institution is authorised more than one Associate NCC Officer, NCC in that institutuion may continue provided at least one Officer is in position. Even if no. Associate NCC Officer is in position the NCC cover will not be withdrawn unless ruch deficiency continues beyond one year. However NCC in an educational institution may continue even in the absence of an Associate NCC Officer upto a period of 2 years by appointment of a Caretaker.

Recognisation of NCC Class III Employees Association

1244. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that UP N.C.C. Class III State Employees Association is recognised by the U.P. Government;

(b) if so what are the names and addresses of the President, Vice-President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer of the State Executive of that Association; and

(c) the date and the place where the last General Meeting of the Association took place and the elections were held?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (c) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has been requested to provide the requisite information which will be placed on the Table of the House.

Expenditure on Republic Day Camp

1245. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total expenditure on the tents/Shamianas and furniture hired from civilian contractors and suppliers for the Republic Day Camp in January, 1992;

(b) the names of contractors who have been supplying the above articles for the N.C.C. Republic Day Camp for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991 and 1992; and

(c) the procedure adopted for the grant of contracts during the above years?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) As per the bills received in the Directorate General NCC, the expenditure on tents/ shamianas and furniture items for the NCC Republic Day Camp in January 1992 works out to Rs. 2,66,613/00. The bills are yet to be passed for payment.

(b) The names of the cotractors are as under:—

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